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Website: www.wellesleyma.gov/NRC**Celebrate Fuller Brook Park! It's Worth a Walk*****Wellesley Residents Invited to Stroll Completed First Section of Fuller Brook Park Preservation Project***

OCTOBER 21, 2015 (Wellesley, MA) – With two bio-retention rain gardens, new plantings, a redesigned stream course, and a path that's both handicapped accessible and easy to maintain with beautiful new boardwalk sections, the newly finished first phase of the Fuller Brook Park Preservation Project is ready for visitors.

Wellesley residents are invited to stroll through the park along the brook path on **Saturday, November 7, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**, to celebrate the end of construction in the section of the park that runs along Caroline Brook from Maugus Avenue to Paine Street.

This event marks the first milestone in the Fuller Brook Park Preservation Project, a multiple year collaborative effort by the Town of Wellesley to preserve and enhance the two-and-a-half mile, historic linear park created more than 100 years ago.

"Fuller Brook Park is beloved by Wellesley citizens and we're eager for them to experience and enjoy the many improvements in the first completed section," said Diane Campbell, Fuller Brook Park Committee chair. "Through careful work, we've protected the historic features and landscapes while balancing the need for expanded accessibility, better storm water and flood control measures, shoring up the stream banks and reducing the number of invasive plants in the area."

Campbell and her committee, Fuller Brook Park project manager Peter Jackson and the Wellesley Natural Resources Commission hope the event will educate residents about the many changes to the park and how this section is an important link in the overall town-wide trail network.

Residents of all ages are encouraged to attend; strollers and dogs are welcome. Walkers should park in the northeast corner of the Wellesley High School parking lot and enter the brook path area at Paine Street.

The Fuller Brook Park Committee, working in conjunction with the DPW, is responsible for construction project management, field inspections and materials testing and environmental management of the Fuller Brook Park Preservation Project to assure the highest quality end product for Wellesley. Learn more at www.wellesleyma.gov/fullerbrook.

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